By direction of the Judicial Conference of the United States, pursuant to the authority conferred by 28 U.S.C. § 331, I have the honor to transmit herewith for consideration of the Court proposed amendments to Rules 1 through 60 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure. The Judicial Conference recommends that these amendments be approved by the Court and transmitted to the Congress pursuant to law.

Two sections of the recently enacted USA PATRIOT Act (Pub. L. No. 107-56) add new provisions to Criminal Rules 6 and 41. The statutory amendments were made after the Judicial Conference had approved the attached comprehensive revision of the Criminal Rules. The advisory rules committee is now preparing conforming amendments to Rules 6 and 41 to avoid confusion and possible supersession problems. It expects to submit proposed conforming amendments to Rules 6 and 41 to the Judicial Conference in March 2002, with a recommendation that they be transmitted for approval to the Court as an addendum to the attached package of rule amendments.

For your assistance in considering these proposed amendments, I am transmitting an excerpt from the Report of the Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure to the Judicial Conference and the Report of the Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Leonidas Ralph Mecham Secretary

By direction of the Judicial Conference of the United States, pursuant to the authority conferred by 28 U.S.C. § 331, I have the honor to transmit herewith for consideration of the Court proposed amendments to Rules 1, 4, 5, 21, 24, 25, 26, 26.1, 27, 28, 31, 32, 36, 41, 44, and 45 and new Form 6 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure. The Judicial Conference recommends that these amendments be approved by the Court and transmitted to the Congress pursuant to law.

For your assistance in considering these proposed amendments, I am transmitting an excerpt from the Report of the Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure to the Judicial Conference and the Report of the Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.

Leonidas Ralph Mecham Secretary

By direction of the Judicial Conference of the United States, pursuant to the authority conferred by 28 U.S.C. § 331, I have the honor to transmit herewith for consideration of the Court proposed amendments to Rules 54, 58, and 81, and a new Rule 7.1 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and Rule C of Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims. The Judicial Conference recommends that these amendments be approved by the Court and transmitted to the Congress pursuant to law.

For your assistance in considering these proposed amendments, I am transmitting an excerpt from the Report of the Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure to the Judicial Conference and the Report of the Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

Leonidas Ralph Mecham Secretary

By direction of the Judicial Conference of the United States, pursuant to the authority conferred by 28 U.S.C. § 331, I have the honor to transmit herewith for consideration of the Court proposed amendments to Rules 1004, 2004, 2015, 4004, 9014, and 9027, and new Rule 1004.1 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure. The Judicial Conference recommends that these amendments be approved by the Court and transmitted to the Congress pursuant to law.

For your assistance in considering these proposed amendments, I am transmitting an excerpt from the Report of the Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure to the Judicial Conference and the Report of the Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure.

Leonidas Ralph Mecham Secretary